## FRIEDRICH KUEFFNER

PATENT AND TRADEMARK ATTORNEY

342 Madison Avenue

**SUITE 1921** 

**NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10173** 

TELEPHONE: (212) 986-3114 TELECOPIER: (212) 986-3461 (212) 697-3004

C849 U.S. PTO

EXPRESS MAIL No.: EL 862 851 923 US Deposited: December 21, 2001 I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service Express mail under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to the

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, DC 20231.

Friedrich Kueffner

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS Washington, DC 20231

Date: December 21, 2001 Docket No: PR-39

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

Inventor(s): Joachim Arit and Karl-Hermann Busse

FOR: METHOD OF MANIPULATING WAFERS

ENCLOSED ARE:

(X) specification (<u>14</u> pages), Claims (<u>4</u> pages/<u>16</u> claims) & Abstract; (<u>)</u> sheets of Drawings;

(X) Declaration and Power of Attorney; **UNSIGNED**( ) Assignment to <u>VenTec Gesellschaft für Venturekapital</u>

und Unternehmensberatung; ( ) \*Certified copy of EuropeanPat.Appli.No: 00 128 491.8 filed Dec.

the priority of which is claimed under 35 USC 119; (X) Small Entity Status is being claimed. (37 CFR 1.9 & 1.27);

Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and \_\_\_ reference;

FILING FEE HAS BEEN CALCULATED AS SHOWN BELOW:

| Section 1              | Claims | <u>filed Extra</u> |     | SMALL   | ENTITY | or   | LARGE | ENTITY |
|------------------------|--------|--------------------|-----|---------|--------|------|-------|--------|
| Basic Fee              |        |                    |     | \$      | 370.00 |      | \$    | 740.00 |
| Total Claims           | 16     | -20=               | X   | \$ 9.=  |        | x \$ | 18.=  |        |
| <u>Indep. Claíms</u>   | 1      | - 3=               | Х   | \$ 42.= |        | x \$ | 84.=  |        |
| <u>( )Multiple Der</u> | endent | Claim Presented?   | , X | \$140.= |        | x \$ | 280.= |        |
|                        |        |                    |     |         |        |      |       |        |

Respectfully submitted

In Kut

Friedrich Kueffner - Reg. No. 29,482

FK:ml